



GEORGIA DEPARTMENT  
OF COMMUNITY HEALTH



# MFP Sentinel Events



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# Mission

## The Georgia Department of Community Health

We will provide Georgians with access to affordable, quality health care through effective planning, purchasing and oversight.

*We are dedicated to A Healthy Georgia.*

# MFP Sentinel Event Definition

- **A Sentinel Event is an unexpected occurrence involving death or serious physical or psychological injury, or the risk thereof. Serious injury specifically includes loss of limb function. The phrase, “or the risk thereof” includes any process variation for which a recurrence would carry a significant chance of a serious adverse outcome.**



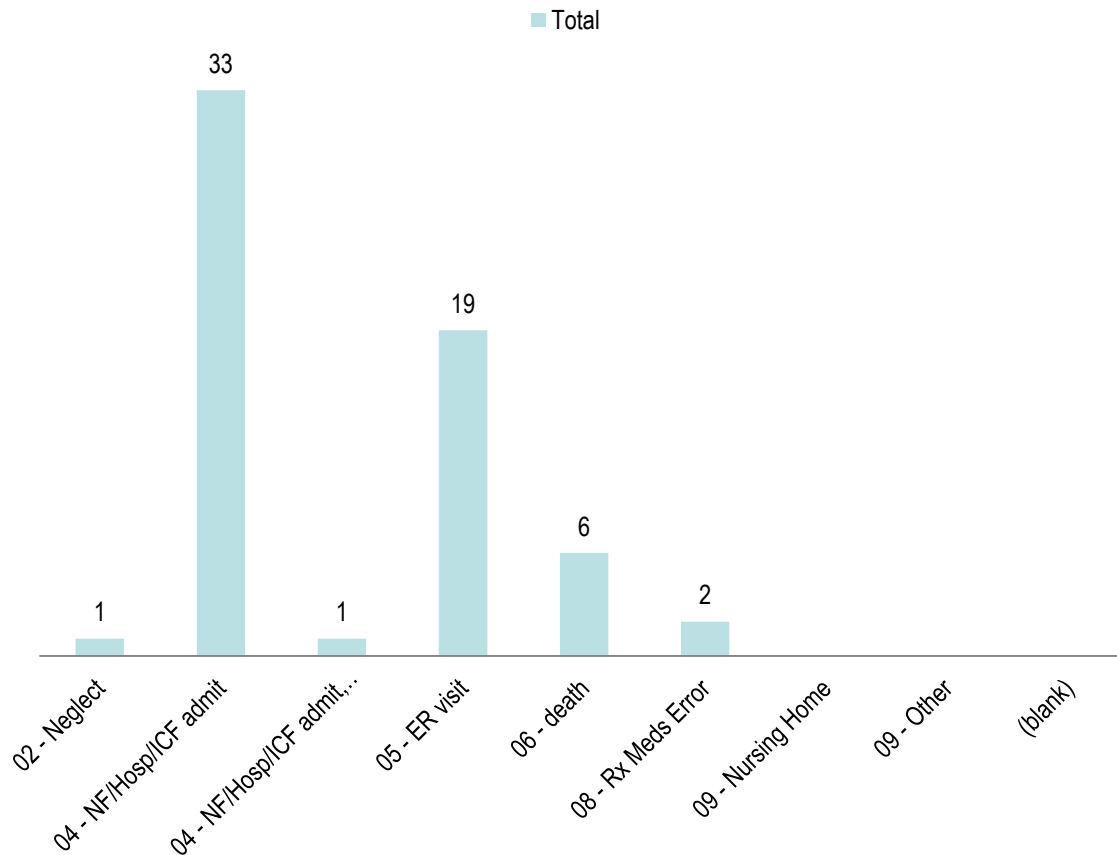
# Types of MFP Sentinel Events

- Abuse
- Neglect
- Exploitation
- Hospitalizations
- Emergency Room Visits
- Deaths due to Neglect, Abuse or Exploitation
- Involvement with Criminal Justice System
- Medication Administration Error



# Total Number Sentinel Events by Type

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January to June 2013

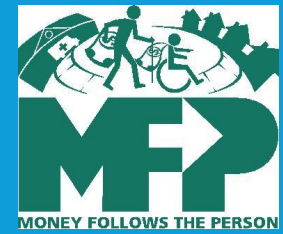


62 Sentinel Events reported -

- 33 participants were readmitted back into the hospital or nursing home
- 19 participants were reported to have had ER visits
- 6 participant deaths reported
- 2 participants had medication errors
- 2 were reported to have been neglected



# Summary of Analysis



An in-depth analysis was done to:

- determine the type of events that are most frequent
- determine what can be done to prevent an event from occurring and re-occurring
- assure that DCH/MFP is notified and aware of Sentinel Events
- ensure that participants' health and welfare are safeguarded and monitored
- review the appropriateness and timeliness of the follow-up and corrective actions taken
- evaluate the follow-up and corrective actions for effectiveness

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# Questions

